

LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES



FUN AND ATTRACTIONS . . . will spotlight the Carnival to be staged by the Perry PTA Oct. 27 from 4 until 8 p.m. on the school grounds. A Halloween and western costume parade will be held at 5 p.m. There will be movies, cartoons, dancing, rides, games, and a cakewalk. Marvelling at one of the horse "grab bags" are (from left) Mrs. William Gresham, ways and means chairman; Mrs. Clyde Perkins, wife of the carnival chairman; John Strom, principal; Kathy Winchell, Donny Hoffman and Deblise Hoffman.

Crenshaw

School election issues were supported vigorously by Crenshaw Elementary PTA at the Oct. 3 meeting. S. Waldrip, school finance advisor explained the issues and the group voted to support them. Girl Scouts, Troop 1388 passed out "I Will Vote" tags and these girls provided baby sitting on election day.

Miss Mahine Molavi, foreign exchange student from Iran, who attends Pepperdine College gave an interesting comparison of Iran and the United States.

Posters were displayed by membership chairman, Mrs. Carroll Crabtree, membership chairman.

Mrs. W. L. Graham, magazine chairman, stated that magazines were on sale at the meeting and Mmes. William Atwood, William Drake, Shirley Osterhues, and Bert Richardson spoke on the value of the California and National PTA.

Orders for subscriptions may be placed with Mrs. Graham. Thirty-one teachers were introduced by Earl Eckert, principal.

The students of Edith Hanson's room put on skits demonstrating the importance of sportsmanship in games. The room was best represented by parents and won the prize for upper grades. Maureen Stone's room won the prize for best parent representation in the lower grades.

The pledge of allegiance was led by the Junior High Troop 1388 who also furnished childcare for the meeting. Inspirational was given by Mrs. J. V. Ruckle. The PTA board will meet at the home of Mrs. Don Robinson at 7:30 on Wednesday, Oct. 17. Most of the meeting will be devoted to discussion of Carnival plans and all members are requested to be present. The Carnival date is Oct. 31.

Sepulveda

Parents and teachers of the Sepulveda School, 4600 Merrill, are invited to attend a pre-organizational meeting to organize a parent-teacher unit for the school. The session will be held at the school Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Participating at this kick-off meeting will be Principal O. R. Dexter of Sepulveda School and Mrs. Albin Larson, extension chairman for Southern Section of 33rd District, California Congress of Parents and Teachers. Also on hand will be Mrs. Francis Stockle of Torrance Council and members of her board.

HOWARD WOOD

"Our Investment in America—Strengthening Communities," is the theme chosen by the Howard Wood PTA for their program for 1956-1957.

Mrs. William Dickson, program chairman, urged all board members at the monthly meeting held at the home of Mrs. Ralph Engstrom, 1750 W. 244th St., to attend the association's first meeting on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at the school, 2250 235th St. S. E. Waldrip, assistant superintendent of business, for the Torrance Unified School District, discussed the State Loan for Schools and the Override Tax. The membership drive, which began Oct. 1 is under the direction of Mrs. Ivan Eckersley, who will bring "Freddie" around to each room, and as each student brings in a membership they can put a freckle on "Freddie."

Magazine chairman, Mrs. Lee Polick is working to get the unit on the honor roll. Also at the board meeting reports were given by Mrs. Kuri Muranaka, hospitality; Mrs. Richard Clutter, TEAC representative; Mrs. Hal LaMour, honorary life chairman; Mrs. W. G. Tidmarsh, room mother, and Mrs. G. Strohm, "Wood Echo" chairman.

The next board meeting will be on Oct. 25, at the home of Mrs. M. D. Scoles, 1841 Middlebrook Rd.

Riviera

Riviera PTA will meet Wednesday evening, Oct. 17, at 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Walter Rehwoald, director of instruction for the Torrance Unified School District will be the guest speaker. There will also be a skit presentation. Child care will be provided.

The PTA chorus will meet at 7 p.m. prior to the meeting with Mrs. Kay Loftus director.

Narbonne

Final plans for the Narbonne High School PTA membership drive were completed at a special board meeting held at the home of PTA President Mrs. D. G. Cheek Oct. 5. Merle Marks, social studies teacher in charge of the drive slated to begin Oct. 15, said a goal of 100 per cent membership has been set.

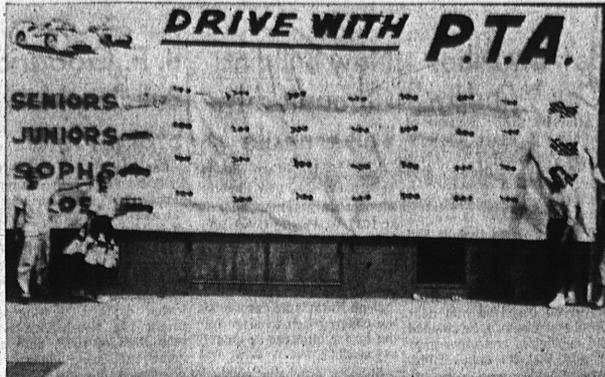
Each student bringing in a membership will receive a ticket to see the movie "Swimming the Colorado" which will be narrated in person by Bill Beer, one of the two men ever to swim the river. The film will be shown on Oct. 31 at the school.

Besides the movie two parties will be given, one to the junior high school class bringing in the most members, percentage-wise, and one for the leading senior high school class.

186th Street

More than 300 people attended the picnic dinner and first meeting of the 186th Street School PTA, held at the school on Thursday, Sept. 20. Members of the faculty were served a buffet supper by the executive board, and coffee and punch were served to all. The parents were easily able to meet their children's teachers, as the tables were arranged and marked by grades.

The regular meeting started at 7 p.m. in the auditorium, and all school age children were invited to attend. J. Lyman Goldsmith of the Los Angeles Board of Education was a very interesting and entertaining speaker, and demonstrated simple hobbies and crafts for all members of the family. He stressed the point—that families who do things together are the happy families who stay together.



WITH A SPIRIT RUNNING HIGH . . . among the students at North High School the annual PTA membership is under way. All four classes are in the race and their achievements are recorded on a large poster. The membership drive continues throughout this week. Checking the chart are (from left) Nick Glass, sophomore; Barbara Partsch, freshman; Beverly Stepp, junior, and Eilene Russell, senior.

North High

North High School PTA has started its annual membership drive with the theme, "Don't be a drop-out parent!" Posters were made by the art class for the drive which started Oct. 1 and will continue through Oct. 19. A huge poster placed in the quad had as its slogan "Drive With PTA." It showed miniature cars in a race, one for each class of the school, stating "There's No Speed Limit Here!"

All of the students of North High have gone all out to promote the interest of more parents to join PTA than ever before. The PTA membership drive and first meeting of the year made the headlines of North Wind, the school paper for October.

El Nido

With every student memorizing the membership theme, "Let's dive to the bottom and come up to the top, with a PTA membership for both Mom and POP!" the El Nido PTA membership drive under the direction of Mrs. W. L. Newton, chairman, met with great success in obtaining 173 members. A large poster with a variety of ships along with a David Ecker painted ship picture provided the incentive for Mrs. Blum's second grade class and Mrs. Spencer's sixth grade class to win the prizes for bringing in the most memberships. A two-dollar cash donation as well as a party is being presented to the winning classes.

The October El Nido PTA meeting was held Wednesday, Oct. 10, with principal, Lester Foster and teachers, Pearl He-

Elementary

First meeting of the Torrance Elementary PTA will be held Wednesday evening, Oct. 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the school. Teachers will be introduced. Elks drill team will perform, special music and a film festival is planned. Hostesses for the evening will be the board members and the 8th grade mothers.

bert and Ruthann White taking part in the skit "A Day in School." The association approved the budget for the year and an invitation was issued to everyone in the community to attend their first hot lunch of the semester on Thursday, Oct. 18 on the school grounds. The attendance prize for the September meeting was won by Mrs. White's class while Mrs. Blum's class took honors for the October meeting.

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A Reflection Editorial Tribute to Senior Citizens

If there was one way to wrap up experience in one compact package it would be in the minds of our Senior Citizens. These men and women have overcome obstacles as they appeared, discovered short-cuts that are now standard. They evolved from outside pump to inside brass faucet, oil lamp to glow of electricity, one-night stand of mediocre troupers to TV. They have watched steam engines become diesel, day coach change to airplane, farm-line telephones to dialing a number across country.

Our elderly citizens have gradually floated out of the swift current to quiet waters, content to let the younger generation carry the burden, but yet they maintain a keen, active interest in all things around them. To avail ourselves of that wisdom is intelligent as well as paying tribute to ones who know the secrets.

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